

Thursday, 21 February 1952

PRESENT: General Smith, Messrs. Wisner, Wolf, Becker, Hedden, Earman.

The Director stated that he still had Mr. Hedden's study on OSI and asked if there was anything further he had to do on this. Mr. Hedden said no further action on this matter was required by the Director. The DCI then noted that the "Pentagon" appeared to be satisfied with the results of the recent meeting held by the Scientific Intelligence Committee. HR70-14

Mr. Wolf and Mr. Wisner reported on the recent cable from [redacted] concerning operations against [redacted] and [redacted] request for additional personnel. In this connection, Mr. Wisner noted that in this case [redacted] was somewhat at fault since we had asked him on several occasions to advise us of his personnel needs in order that this matter could be cleared with State. The Director stated that [redacted] and the other Senior Representatives and Staff Chiefs should be kept informed of the status of their requests for additional personnel. Mr. Wisner noted that such a practice was in effect.

Mr. Wolf:

a. Noted Col. White had returned from [redacted] and reported that things there were in excellent shape.

Mr. Wisner:

a. Stated that he had gone over the Director's proposed reply to Gen. Ridgway and recommended a few changes. The DCI asked Mr. Wisner to make these changes in pencil on the draft and return it to him. (Done)

[redacted]

c. Stated that a cable had been sent to Kirkpatrick and Johnston concerning a Senior Representative [redacted]

d. Stated that a cable had been sent to [redacted] on a certain subject. The Director said that he had received further information on this and asked Mr. Wisner to talk to Mr. Hedden on this matter. Done. 2-28-52

e. Read a State cable concerning an AP correspondent and [redacted] and noted that a short article already hit the press. The Director stated that he had seen it.

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Mr. Wisner (Cont'd.)

f. Stated that an urgent request had been received from Colonels Johnson and Stilwell concerning a supply mission by air [redacted] After some discussion, wherein Mr. Wisner pointed out that (1) this mission might prove expensive if the aircraft was lost (\$600,000); (2) we could not requisition air transportation from the Air Force; (3) we would, therefore, be required to contract air transportation, the Director stated that (1) we still had a large reserve for operations; (2) he believed that we were fully covered by the NSC on such operations; however, we should double-check before going ahead; (3) Gen. Balmer ^{+ State} should be notified of the action taken.

g. Referred to the recent cable concerning MSA funds. The Director stated that (1) he had seen this cable and (2) [redacted] should be informed that we were only seeking information as to the funds that might be available in order that we could plan our activities accordingly. ~~Done.~~ **2-28-52**

h. Noted that [redacted] would possibly not be available until after the Republican convention and, if true, we might very well have to use somebody else in his place.

i. Reported that we had been very successful in getting good coverage for the Greek trials; however, CBS appeared to be a little "sour" and possibly felt that these trials might be rigged. The Director stated we should get to the bottom of this and, if necessary, we might talk to Ed Paley. DD/P later reported no further action necessary. **3-4-52**

Mr. Hedden noted that [redacted] would go over the career management program this weekend. **3-5-52**

Mr. Becker:

a. Briefly discussed the meeting at Princeton on 20 February.

b. Discussed the agenda for the IAC meeting today. Stated that Gen. Bolling had requested a week's ~~copy~~ ^{copy up of} the Guatemala paper. The Director approved and noted that the pot was beginning to boil on a policy decision on this matter.

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